

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are now pending in the application. Claims 1-8 are allowed. Claims 9, 10, and 17 were canceled. Claims 11, 13, and 18 were amended to be rewritten in independent form. Claims 20, 24, and 26 were merely amended to fix the dependencies. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 9-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 9 and 10 have been canceled. Claims 11 and 13 have been amended to clarify that the reactivation transition is the transition between the deactivated mode and the activated mode and is not the same as "the activated mode." Therefore, claims 11 and 13 should now be patentable and in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 9, 10, 17, 20, 24 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhavsar et al ('807) in view of Phillips et al ('705). Claim 25 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bhavsar et al in view of Phillips et al as applied to claim 17 above, and further in view of Kataoka et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 9, 10, and 17 have been canceled. Claims 20, 24, 25, and 26 have been amended to depend from claim 18 which was indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Therefore, Claims 20, 24, 25, and 26 should be allowable and in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

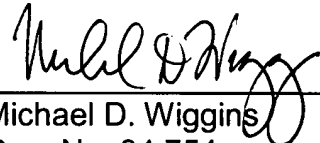
Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for favorable consideration of Claims 11-16, 18, 19 and 21-23, which were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants have rewritten 11, 13, and 18 to be in independent form. Therefore, claims 11, 13, 18, and the dependent claims therefrom should be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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